BY MR. K. RAME GOWDA (Bowringpet Taluk) and MR. T. B. RAMALINGA REDDY (Bagepalli Taluk).—

Q.—2. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) The progress made in rural education for the last five years in the Kolar District.

(2) The number of new schools opened during each successive year of the period.

(3) The number of aided schools converted into Government schools.

(4) The number of grant-in-aid schools ordered to be closed unconditionally.

(5) The total number of boys and girls in the village primary schools of the district at the beginning of the period and in June 1927.

(6) The villages wherein the Compulsory Education Scheme had been in force at the beginning of the period and also the number of boys and girls that attended the schools of the respective villages during the first and last year of the period?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—2. Information has been called for.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr K. Rame Gowda.—

With reference to the common answer given to all the parts of the question, may I know whether it was impossible for the Government to obtain the information called for in it from the district educational officers?

Third Member of Council.—

It takes time to obtain all the information required.

Mr. K. Rame Gowda.—

Will it be furnished very early?

Third Member of Council.—

It will be furnished before the next session.

Mr. K. Rame Gowda.—

Will not the rural schools maintain attendance registers,

and if so, is it not possible to obtain information with reference to those registers?

Third Member of Council.—

It is not possible to get all those details. That many additional schools have not been given to the Kolar District is patent, but the reason for it is also equally patent.

Mr. K. Rame Gowda.—

But how were schools given to some places such as Sulagunte?

Third Member of Council.—

It was considered necessary to open schools in those places.

By Mr. S. Venkatasami Gowda (Malur Taluk), Mr. V. R. Chikkachennananjappa Chetty (Kolar Municipality), Mr. J. S. Thimmaraya Chetty (Sanitary Board, K.G.F.) and Mr. L. Vema Reddy (Malur Taluk).—

Q.—3. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) Whether they are aware that the proprietors of the Oriental Tobacco Manufacturing Company at Bowringpet have applied for help to the Industries Department of the State with a view to improve their concern ?

(2) What steps have been taken by Government in that respect ?

(3) How long have the said Company been soliciting the help of the Industries Department ?

(4) Have any of the officers of the Department inspected the Factory at any time and submitted their inspection reports ?

Secretary to Government, Development Departments.—

A.—3. (1) Yes.

(2) Government did not find it possible to sanction the loan applied for.

(3) A loan was applied for in 1925.

(4) Yes.